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Jim -
a. Determine from OL if they have been pushing GSA? I hope not.
b. Who (How) did the 31 Mar date get set? Did OL ask for that date?
c. Is there any reason why GSA can't turn it over to us notwithstanding who is on the property? Let us worry about the rent, etc.?!?

25 March 1987

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

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FROM:
Executive Assistant to the DDA

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SUBJECT: Conversation with Ms. Nancy Blanchett

1. This morning I spoke by telephone with Ms. Nancy Blanchett, who is the executor for the Scattergood estate. My call was made in response to her telephone call of 24 March to Bill Donnelly. Ms. Blanchett was very agitated due to her recent communications with GSA relative to the Scattergood property.

2. Ms. Blanchett stated that in mid-February she received a letter from Mr. Arthur M. Turowski of GSA telling her to "get out by 31 March or start paying rent." More recently, Ms. Blanchett said she was called by Mr. Tom Stapelton of GSA, who reiterated the position that she must leave the property or pay rent.

3. Ms. Blanchett described her position on moving from the estate as follows:

a. She stated, "One does not distribute the holdings of a 92 year life to 158 people overnight." She plans to complete her work in the main house, and to be out of there by 20 April, which is a month ahead of her original estimate.

b. She said that her son and daughter-in-law are currently living in the small apartment on the grounds pending the closing of the deal on their new home by 15 May. She intends that they will remain on the property until that date.

c. She said she called Bill Donnelly because of his extreme kindness and consideration to her in the past relative to this settlement. She believes that we are her "court of last appeals" in this issue with GSA.

d. She suggested that any attempt by GSA to charge her rent, or to evict her, would slow the process of settlement, and would be communicated to the public and the news media.

4. From the telephone conversation, my assessment is that she is a tough, determined lady who is truly doing her best to complete the estate settlement and move from the property. I think that GSA would be walking into a mine field if they do not negotiate a later property turnover with her.

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